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Health Affairs  
for  
International Students***



# *IMS Health Affairs Terminology*

- **IMS**.....International Military Student
- **Authorized Dependent/Family Member**.....IMS dependent/family member authorized on the ITO
- **MTF**.....Medical Treatment Facility
- **Outpatient**.....Care rcvd during “visit” to a clinic, emergency room, etc.
- **Inpatient**.....Care rcvd when “admitted”to hospital, overnight, etc.
- **PAD**.....Patient Affairs/Admin Division



# Terminology (Cont'd)

- **IMET**.....Int'l Mil Education & Training
- **FMS**.....Foreign Military Sales
- **PFP**.....Partnership for Peace
- **NATO/PFP**.....Countries having ratified SOFA on file w/ State Dept
- **Non-NATO**.....All other countries other than NATO & PFP



# ***IMSO Responsibilities***

- **Become knowledgeable**
  - **Eligibility**
  - **Financial responsibility**
- **Check ITO authorization**
- **Brief IMS**
- **Know MTF Patient Affairs/Admin Div**



# ***Eligibility***

- **“Approved” program**
  - **SATP, PEP, CLO, SEEP, ETC**
- **International Agreement**
  - **NATO/PFP SOFA**
  - **Reciprocal Health Care Agreement**



# ***APPROVED PROGRAM***

- **DoD MTF**
  - **Military IMS/Family Members**
    - **Outpatient/Inpatient--Reimbursable Basis**
    - **Dental--Emergency Only--Reimbursable Basis**
  - **Civilian IMS/Family Members**
    - **Emergency Medical/Dental Care--Reimbursable Basis**



# ***NATO/PFP SOFAs***

- **Albania**
- **Austria**
- **Azerbaijan**
- **Belgium**
- **Bulgaria**
- **Canada**
- **Czech Republic**
- **Denmark**
- **Estonia**
- **Finland**
- **France**
- **FYROM**
- **Georgia**
- **Germany**
- **Greece**
- **Hungary**
- **Iceland**
- **Italy**
- **Kazakhstan**
- **Latvia**
- **Lithuania**
- **Luxembourg**



# ***NATO/PFP SOFAs***

- **Moldova**
- **Netherlands**
- **Norway**
- **Poland**
- **Portugal**
- **Romania**
- **Slovakia**
- **Slovenia**
- **Spain**
- **Sweden**
- **Turkey**
- **Ukraine**
- **United Kingdom**
- **Uzbekistan**





# ***NATO/PFP SOFA***

- **DoD Facility (Same Care as U.S.)**
  - **IMS**
    - **Free Outpatient (Medical/Dental)**
    - **Reimbursable Inpatient**
  - **Family Member**
    - **Free Outpatient (Medical/Dental Emergency)**
    - **Reimbursable Inpatient**



# ***NATO/PFP SOFA***

- **Civilian MTF**
  - **IMS**
    - **Outpatient**
      - **If referred by DoD Facility referring facility pays**
      - **If not referred--IMS/Country**
    - **Inpatient--IMS/Country**
  - **Family Member**
    - **Outpatient--TRICARE Standard**
    - **Inpatient--IMS/Country**



# ***Current Reciprocal Agreements***

- **Argentina--18 Sep 05**
- **Bolivia--13 Sep 03**
- **Canada--3 May 05**
- **Colombia--8 Apr 05**
- **Dominican Republic--17 Dec 05**
- **Ecuador--27 Jan 03**
- **El Salvador--6 Feb 04**
- **Germany--7 Jul 02**
  - **Extension in process**
- **Guatemala--24 Apr 03**
- **Romania--25 Apr 04**
- **Tunisia--12 Oct 05**
- **Ukraine--1 May 03**
- **United Kingdom--8 Feb 03**
- **Uruguay--8 Feb 03**
- **Venezuela--22 Sep 03**



# ***Reciprocal Agreements***

- **Vary country to country**
- **Based on assigned US/Foreign pers.**
- **Covers**
  - **Outpatient/Inpatient care at no cost in DoD MTF**
  - **DoD Inpatient Supplemental care in Civ MTF**
- **IMS responsible for paying Subsistence**
- **Does Not Cover**
  - **Care in Civ MTF**
  - **Civilian/Paramilitary**



# ***Current Reciprocal Agreements***

- **Argentina**
  - Washington DC, Maryland and Virginia only
- **Canada**
  - Does **not** cover FMS nor any Family Members
- **Ecuador**
  - Does **not** cover IMET/FMS and their Family Members
- **Germany**
  - Some restrictions on types of treatment - Annex B
- **Ukraine**
  - First 30 days not covered
- **Dom Rep & Venezuela**
  - Does **not** cover IMET IMS
  - Does cover FMS/IMET & FMS Family Members



# ***Health Care Issues***

- **Increased medical costs**
- **IMS indebtedness**
- **Realignment of MTFs**
- **Pre-existing medical conditions**



# ***Medical Charges***

## ***Outpatient***

- **Costs vary by facility/type service**
- **Cost for each “visit”**



# ***Medical Charges***

## ***Inpatient***

- **Costs vary by facility**
- **Type of care provided determines daily weighted factor**
- **Facility daily cost multiplied by daily weighted factor**





# *Inpatient Cost Comparison*

## **Appendectomy w/o complications**

**MEDDAC-FLW (\$1896)**

**BAMC-FSH (\$2183)**

**DRG Weight  
Avg Stay**

**.7227/3 Days**

**.7828/3.7 Days**

**IMET\***

**\$4,110.72**

**\$6,322.75**

**Others\***

**\$9,984.10**

**\$14,791.71**

## **Pneumonia w/o complications**

**MEDDAC-FLW (\$1896)**

**BAMC-FSH (\$2183)**

**.7740/3 Days**

**.6924/5.7 Days**

**\$4,402.51**

**\$8,615.60**

**\$10,692.81**

**\$20,155.69**

**\*Does not include subsistence/family member rate.**



# ***Inpatient Subsistence Charge***

- **For all periods of inpatient care**
  - **IMS rate**
  - **Family rate**
- **Collected locally from IMS**



# ***Health Care - Payment***

- **Clinics/hospitals (MTF) must account for treatment “service” provided**
- **Responsibility for payment in accord w/ ITO**
- **MTF Submits DD form 7 (inpatient) or DD form 7a (outpatient) to appropriate Mildep Medical Command**
- **Or, MTF collects from individual locally**



# ***Health Care - Budgeting***

- **IMET programming factor - \$35 per student training line (course of instruction)**
- **FMS case medical line - approx \$500 per student**



# ***Medical Coverage***

- **All IMS and Authorized Family Members Must have Medical Coverage (Effective 1 Jan 03)**
- **Medical Coverage is**
  - **IMETP**
  - **FMS Case**
  - **Paid by Country**
  - **Health Insurance**



# ***IMS Health “Categories”***

- **IMET IMS**
  - **Non-NATO--IMETP pays**
  - **NATO/PFP--IMETP pays DoD inpatient/all civilian care**
- **FMS IMS**
  - **Non-NATO--Country, Health Insurance or FMS Case pays**
  - **NATO/PFP--Country, Health Insurance or FMS Case pays inpatient/all civilian care**



# ***IMS Health “Categories”***

- **Family Members**
  - **Non-NATO IMET--Health Insurance/Country Pays**
  - **Non-NATO FMS--Health Insurance/Country/FMS Case Pays**
  - **NATO/PFP IMET--Health Insurance/Country Pays inpatient care/TRICARE Standard pays a portion of Civilian outpatient care**
  - **NATO/PFP FMS--Health Insurance/Country/FMS Case Pays inpatient care/TRICARE Standard pays a portion of Civilian outpatient care**



# ***Supplemental Care***

**Medically necessary** health care provided by a **non-military** agency, facility or practitioner, when **authorized** and **funded** by an appropriate **health care official** of the party providing the care. Referrals to **civilian facilities** or practitioners will be made **only if** provisions of military health care are **not feasible**.





# ***TRICARE***

- **IMS and Family Members *not enrolled***
  - Receive the ***same care*** as TRICARE PRIME enrollees
  - IMS/Family Members ***same priority for appointments*** as Tricare enrollees
- **NATO/PFP Family Members eligible for *Tricare Standard* (old CHAMPUS) for outpatient only**



# ***IMS Indebtedness***

- Insure IMS aware of **personal financial responsibility**
  - During orientation briefing, and
  - Brief if being hospitalized
  - Have IMS show proof of insurance when applicable
- Inpatient care **cannot be waived** IAW U.S. law



# ***Military MTFs***

- **Hospitals downgraded to clinics**
- **Closure of Military MTFs**
- **Referrals to Civ health care providers**
- **No physical exams unless authorized**



# ***Pre-existing Medical Conditions***

- Health care is for conditions that develop **during training**
- Or, for **health maintenance** of medical condition such as diabetes, allergies, etc.
- Does not include correction of major medical/dental condition, elected medical care/surgery, etc.



# ***HIV/AIDS Policy***

- **IMS tested by country**
- **No “mandatory” testing in U.S.**
- **Policy--must be free of “communicable disease”**
- **However, may receive test for other reasons**
- **Action upon testing positive**



# Health Affairs Information in ITM Web Site

[http://disam.osd.mil/intl\\_training/Functional/Hlth\\_Afrs.htm](http://disam.osd.mil/intl_training/Functional/Hlth_Afrs.htm)

## Health Affairs

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The following provide information on IMS health affairs:

**[\\*\\*New\\*\\* Medical Policy for Intl Tng Prog Update Message](#)** -- DSCA, November 2002

[Health Insurance for IMS & Family](#) -- From SAM-AT Course, 31 July 02

[IMS Health Affairs Presentation](#)-- From SAM-AT Course, 31 July 02

[International Health Affairs Presentation](#) -- As presented to SAM-TO Course at DISAM

### References:

SAMM, [Para 100114 -- Medical Costs](#)

[Para 100404 -- Student Medical Screening](#)

JSAT, [Section V -- Medical and Dental Care](#)

[Security Assistance Health Affairs Handbook](#) (Draft, DSCA, October 2000)

[International Health Care Agreements](#)

### [Frequently Asked Questions](#)

### Status of Reciprocal Health Care Agreements

The following agreements have been extended

<u>Country</u>	<u>Expiration Date</u>
Bolivia	13 Sep 03
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Germany	7 Jul 02



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